



Two Seasonal Coastal Birds/Shorebird Biologists

Southern Maine

Maine Audubon is hiring two seasonal coastal bird/shorebird biologists. These are seasonal positions at Maine Audubon. Maine Audubon works to conserve Maine's wildlife and wildlife habitat by engaging people in education, conservation, and action.

Position Overview

Two full-time seasonal biologists needed to monitor and manage endangered Least Terns, Piping Plovers, and other coastal birds on beaches in Southern Maine during the 2022 field season. This is a unique opportunity to apply and grow your skills in direct management of endangered species and outreach with a variety of audiences.

Project Overview

The Coastal Birds Project is designed to recover these endangered species, reduce disturbance of migratory shorebirds, and protect beach/dune/estuary systems. The positions will be supervised by a Maine Audubon wildlife biologist, but work as part of a larger collaborative effort that includes the US Fish and Wildlife Service, Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, Maine Bureau of Parks and Lands, USDA Wildlife Services, numerous municipalities, hundreds of private landowners, and dozens of volunteer plover monitors.

Duties and Responsibilities

Locating nests, erecting fencing, tracking nest success and fledglings, conducting educational outreach programs, monitoring predation, supervising project interns and volunteers, and negotiating and implementing management agreements with both private and public landowners.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in wildlife or related field required
- Excellent observational skills
- Independent thinker and problem solver
- Skilled at prioritizing tasks while in the field
- Effective, engaging, and diplomatic communicator both verbally and in writing
- Experience working in the field with birds and/or endangered species preferred
- Able to walk extensively on soft substrates (sand beaches)
- Able to lift and carry heavy equipment of 50 pounds or more
- Ability and willingness to work outdoors on beaches in all weather conditions
- Clean driving record for last 5 years

Details:

All positions run full-time from approximately mid-April through early -August. For candidates interested, additional part time work (8-10 hrs/week) is available through October. Some weekend and evening work required. Stipend \$600-\$640/week when full-time, prorated for part-time. EOE. Housing not available through Maine Audubon, although we can assist in finding options nearby.

How to Apply:

Email cover letter, resume, and contact information for three references to hyoung@maineaudubon.org with **PPLT Biologist** in the subject line.

Status:

Applications reviewed on a rolling basis until a closing date of February 11. Interviews to begin January 31.